GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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ESTABLISHMENT OF TRANS- BOUNDARY NATIONAL PARKS/ SANCTUARIES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to set up trans-boundary national parks and sanctuaries to protect wildlife in partnership with neighbouring countries;

(b) if so, whether the Government has identified the national parks and sanctuaries therefor;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether necessary negotiations have been made/initiated in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the time by which establishment of such parks/sanctuaries is likely to take place?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) In pursuance of the decision taken by the National Board for Wildlife in its 2nd meeting held on 17th March 2005, the Ministry of Environment & Forests has constituted a task Force for Trans-boundary Protected Areas with the Secretary, Environment & Forests as its chairperson to identify natural ecosystems along the International borders that can be considered for constituting Trans Boundary Protected Areas.

(b) No, Sir.

(c), (d) & (e) Does not arise.

(f) Establishment of trans-boundary Protected Areas necessitates Inter-Ministerial consultations and concurrence of the concerned Departments/Ministries of neighbouring countries. Hence, no definite time frame has been envisaged.